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Office of the General Manager

Mr. Andrew Seligman (3WP42)
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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RE: INFORMATION REQUIREMENT, Section 308 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 1318 to Washington Aqueduct, 5900 MacArthur Boulevard, Washington, DC 20016, Baltimore District, US Army Corps of Engineers

Dear Mr. Seligman:

The following information is submitted in accordance with the subject request for information letter dated January 6, 2016. In our February 12, 2016, letter to you we said we would send monthly updates as of the 15th of the month reporting on dredging activity at the Georgetown sedimentation basins in the prior 30 days.

This update is for the period March 15 through April 14, 2016.

In-house dredging has started at Georgetown basin #2 following contractor repairs completed in March to the frayed cables. Production is ramping up. Newly designated individulas in our Plant Operations Branch have been trained and are on site every day. In this period we dredged 217,047 pounds of solids.

We still plan to use a commercial dredging company to remove the sediment from outside the range of the in-house cable-guided dredge and to assist our in-house dredge to get to a clean bottom to catch up for the period when the in-house dredges were not operating. Last month we reported that that contractor would be on site on or about April 4, 2016. Contracting procedures have delayed issuing that contract, but we are now about to issue the request for proposal. We now project that the contractor selected for the work will be on site by May 31, 2016. In the meantime the in-house dredging will continue in basin #2 at Georgetown.

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Sincerely,

Thomas P, Jacobus

General Manager

cc: Mr. James Bemis